

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant	:	Mahin D. Maines)	Examiner:
)	Tracey Vivlemore
Serial No.	:	10/584,886)	
)	Art Unit:
Cnfrm. No.	:	4129)	1635
)	
Filed	:	September 29, 2004)	
)	
For	:	METHODS OF MODULATING CELL CYCLE)	
		AND CELL SIGNALING PATHWAYS USING)	
		BILIVERDIN REDUCTASE)	
)	

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This submission is in response to the October 10, 2007, office action, imposing a restriction requirement for lack of unity. In response to the restriction requirement, applicant hereby elects Group I (i.e., claims 1, 2, 8-13, and 15-29) without traverse.

If any further action is required by the applicant, then the applicant invites the examiner to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 6, 2008

/Edwin V. Merkel/
Edwin V. Merkel
Registration No. 40,087

Nixon Peabody LLP
1100 Clinton Square
Rochester, New York 14604
Telephone: (585) 263-1128
Facsimile: (585) 263-1600